In the matter of the Application of the **GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY (U133W)** for an order authorizing it to increase rates for water service by \$2,812,100 or 32.61% in 2008; by -\$178,700 or -1.51% in 2009; and by \$109,900 or 0.92% in 2010 in its Arden Cordova Customer Service Area.

Application 07-01-009 (Filed January 5, 2007)

And Related Matters.

Application 07-01-010 Application 07-01-011 Application 07-01-012 Application 07-01-013 Application 07-01-014 Application 07-01-015 (Filed January 5, 2007)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION BY THE DIVISION OF RATEPAYER ADVOCATES

1 INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, Rule 8.3, the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) files this Notice of Ex Parte Communication.

DATE, TIME, LOCATION, and ATTENDEES.

On January 18, 2008, Danilo Sanchez, Program Manager of the Water Branch in the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA), initiated the communication with the individuals named below. The communication was entirely in written form and consists of a letter dated January 18, 2008, which was e-mailed on the same date as the letter to Hazlyn Fortune, an advisor in the Office of the Commissioner Dian Grueneich, and to Joseph Como, an advisor in the Office of Commissioner Rachelle Chong.

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3 THE COMMUNICATION AND ITS CONTENT,

The January 18, 2008, letter discusses some concerns that DRA has with the Proposed Decision in this matter which on December 11, 2007, was issued for comments. Those concerns are explicated and referenced in the January 18 letter as follows:

- Capital Budget Overhead (All Districts);
- Overhead Pool Account (All Districts);
- La Serena Plant Site Work (Santa Maria District);
- Rosina Plant and Pipelines for Nitrate Treatment (Los Osos District);
- Orcutt Well and Orcutt Hill Reservoir (Santa Maria District);
- Northern District Water Conservation Coordinator (Arden Cordova, Bay Point, Clearlake); and
- Cuesta-by-the-Sea Loop Closures (Los Osos District) and Crater Tanks (Simi Valley District).

A copy of the January 18 letter is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if stated here.

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Copies of this Notice and its attachment can be obtained by calling or sending e-mail to Sue Muniz at (415) 703-1858 (e-mail: sam@cpuc.ca.gov/).

Respectfully submitted, /s/ CLEVELAND LEE

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January 24, 2008

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of 'NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION BY THE DIVISION OF RATEPAYER ADVOCATES IN" in A.07-01-009 et al by using the following service:

[X] **E-Mail Service:** sending the entire document as an attachment to all known parties of record who provided electronic mail addresses.

[] **U.S. Mail Service:** mailing by first-class mail with postage prepaid to all known parties of record who did not provide electronic mail addresses.

Executed on January 24, 2008 at San Francisco, California.

/s/ HALINA MARCINKOWSKI

Halina Marcinkowski

NOTICE

Parties should notify the Process Office, Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2000, San Francisco, CA 94102, of any change of address and/or e-mail address to insure that they continue to receive documents. You must indicate the proceeding number on the service list on which your name appears.

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